

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 14, 17 to 24, 40, 59 to 62 and 64 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, add new Claims 65 to 74 and amend the claims as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus, comprising:

an image capture unit, adapted to capture an image and to generate data based on the captured image;

a communication unit, adapted to transmit the data generated by said image capture unit to a designated destination;

a management unit, adapted to manage ID information determined for each user and address location information associated with the ID information, wherein the address location information indicates a location that stores address information for designating the destination to transmit the data by said communication unit;

an input unit with which the user inputs the ID information; ~~and~~

an obtaining unit, adapted to specify the address location information managed by said management unit based on the ~~input~~ ID information input by said input unit, to communicate with an external apparatus via a network based on the specified address location information, and to obtain the address information residing at the external apparatus corresponding to the location specified by the address location information[[,]] ; and

a control unit, adapted to judge whether or not the address information is to be obtained based on the ID information input by said input unit, and to control said obtaining unit according to the result of the judgement,

wherein said communication unit transmits the data to the destination designated from the ~~obtained~~ address information obtained by said obtaining unit.

2. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a display unit adapted to display the address information obtained by the obtaining ~~means~~ unit.

3. (Previously Presented) A communication apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the display unit separately displays address information possessed by the communication apparatus in advance and the address information obtained from the external apparatus.

4. (Previously Presented) A communication apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the display unit displays address information possessed by the communication apparatus in advance and the address information obtained from the external apparatus at the same time by combining the possessed address information and the obtained address information.

5. (Previously Presented) A communication apparatus according to claim 2, further comprising a selection unit adapted to select a desired destination candidate from the address information displayed by the display unit.

6. to 8. (Cancelled).

9. (Previously Presented) A communication apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the address information is address information converted by the external apparatus into a data format that is usable at the communication apparatus.

10. (Previously Presented) A communication apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the address information is data written in an XML language.

11. (Previously Presented) A communication apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising an authentication unit adapted to authenticate the user based on the ID information input by the input unit and the information managed by the management unit.

12. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 1, ~~further comprising a control unit adapted to control the obtaining unit and the management unit;~~

~~wherein in a case where the ID information is input with the input unit, the control unit judges whether or not it is required to obtain the address information based on~~

a predetermined condition which is determined for each ID information managed by said management unit.

13. (Previously Presented) A communication apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the predetermined condition is timing information that determines intervals between operations for obtaining the address information.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim [[12]] 1, further comprising an update unit adapted to forcibly obtain the address information even in a case where the ~~obtaining unit is controlled by the control unit based on the predetermined condition so as not to obtain the address information even if the ID information is input~~ control unit judges that the address information is to be obtained.

16. (Previously Presented) A communication apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the management unit manages the ID information and the address location information by utilizing a nonvolatile storage medium.

17. to 24. (Canceled)

25. (Currently Amended) A communication method for a communication apparatus, comprising the steps of:

an image capture step of capturing an image and generating data based on the captured image;

a communication step of ~~transmit~~ transmitting the data generated by said image capture ~~unit~~ step to a designated destination;

a management step of managing ID information determined for each user and address location information associated with the ID information, wherein the address location information indicates a location that stores address information for designating the destination to transmit the data by the communication step;

an input step in which the user inputs the ID information; ~~and~~

an obtaining step of specifying the address location information managed in the management step based on the ~~input~~ ID information input by said input ~~unit~~ step, communicating with an external apparatus via a network based on the address location information, and obtaining the address information residing at the external apparatus corresponding to the location specified by the address location information; and

a control step of judging whether or not the address information is to be obtained based on the ID information input by said input step, and controlling said obtaining step according to the result of the judgment,

wherein the communication step transmits the data to the destination designated from the ~~obtained~~ address information obtained by the obtaining step.

26. to 43. (Cancelled).

44. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable control program stored on a computer-readable medium, the program being executable by a communication apparatus, the program comprising the steps of:

an image capture step of capturing an image and generating data based on the captured image;

a communication step of transmitting the data generated by said image capture ~~unit~~ step to a designated destination;

a management step of managing ID information determined for each user and address location information associated with the ID information ~~by said input step~~, wherein the address location information indicates a location that stores address information for designating the destination to transmit the data by the communication step;

an input step in which the user inputs the ID information; ~~and~~

an obtaining step of specifying the address location information managed in the management step based on the input ID information, communicating with an external apparatus via a network based on the address location information, and obtaining the address information residing at the external apparatus corresponding to the location specified by the address location information; and

a control step of judging whether or not the address information is to be obtained based on the ID information input by said input step, and controlling said obtaining step according to the result of the judgment,

wherein the communication step transmits the data to the destination designated from the ~~obtained~~ address information obtained by the obtaining step.

45. to 59. (Cancelled).

63. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable recording medium storing a control program executable by a communication apparatus, the program comprising the steps of:

an image capture step of capturing an image and generating data based on the captured image;

a communication step of transmitting the data generated by said image capture ~~unit~~ step to a designated destination;

a management step of managing ID information determined for each user and address location information associated with the ID information, wherein the address location information indicates a location that stores address information for designating the destination to transmit the data by the communication step;

an input step in which the user inputs the ID information; ~~and~~

an obtaining step of specifying the address location information managed in the management step based on the input ID information, communicating with an external apparatus via a network based on the address location information, and obtaining the address information residing at the external apparatus corresponding to the location specified by the address location information; and

a control step of judging whether or not the address information is to be obtained based on the ID information input by said input step, and controlling said obtaining step according to the result of the judgement,

wherein the communication step transmits the data to the destination designated from the obtained address information by the obtaining step.

64. (Canceled)

65. (New) A communication apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the control unit controls the obtaining unit to obtain the address information in a case where a prescribed time has passed since a last time that the obtaining unit obtained the address information, wherein the control unit reads address information possessed by the communication apparatus in advance in a case where the prescribed time has not passed since the last time that the obtaining unit obtained the address information.

66. (New) A communication apparatus comprising:

a management unit, adapted to manage ID information determined for each user and address location information associated with the ID information, wherein the address location information indicates a location that stores communication information;

an input unit with which the user inputs the ID information;

an obtaining unit, adapted to specify the address location information managed by said management unit based on the ID information input by said input unit, to communicate with an external apparatus via a network based on the address location information, and to obtain the communication information residing at the external apparatus corresponding to the location specified by the address location information; and



a control unit, adapted to judge whether or not the address information is to be obtained based on the ID information input by said input unit, and to control said obtaining unit according to a result of the judgment.

67. (New) A communication apparatus according to claim 66, wherein the communication information is address information which designates a destination.

68. (New) A communication apparatus according to claim 66, wherein the control unit judges whether or not the address information is to be obtained based on a predetermined condition which is determined for each ID information managed by said management unit.

69. (New) A communication apparatus according to claim 68, wherein the predetermined condition is timing information that determines intervals between operations for obtaining the address information.

70. (New) A communication apparatus according to claim 66, wherein the control unit controls the obtaining unit to obtain the address information in a case where a prescribed time has passed since a last time that the obtaining unit obtained the address information, wherein the control unit reads address information possessed by the communication apparatus in advance in a case where the prescribed time has not passed since the last time that the obtaining unit obtained the address information.

71. (New) A communication apparatus according to claim 66, further comprising an update unit adapted to forcibly obtain the address information even in a case where the control unit judges that the address information is to be obtained.

72. (New) A communication method comprising the steps of:

- a management step of managing ID information determined for each user and address location information associated with the ID information, wherein the address location information indicates a location that stores communication information;
- an input step in which the user inputs the ID information;
- an obtaining step of specifying the address location information managed in the management step based on the ID information input by said input step, communicating with an external apparatus via a network based on the address location information, and obtaining the communication information residing at the external apparatus corresponding to the location specified by the address location information; and
- a control step of judging whether or not the address information is to be obtained based on the ID information input by said input step, and controlling said obtaining step according to a result of the judgment.

73. (New) A computer-readable control program stored on a computer-readable medium, the program executable by a communication apparatus, the program comprising the steps of:

a management step of managing ID information determined for each user and address location information associated with the ID information, wherein the address location information indicates a location that stores communication information;

an input step in which the user inputs the ID information;

an obtaining step of specifying the address location information managed in the management step based on the ID information input by said input step, communicating with an external apparatus via a network based on the address location information, and obtaining the communication information residing at the external apparatus corresponding to the location specified by the address location information; and

a control step of judging whether or not the address information is to be obtained based on the ID information input by said input step, and controlling said obtaining step according to a result of the judgment.

74. (New) A computer-readable recording medium storing a control program executable by a communication apparatus, the program comprising the steps of:

a management step of managing ID information determined for each user and address location information associated with the ID information, wherein the address location information indicates a location that stores communication information;

an input step in which the user inputs the ID information;

an obtaining step of specifying the address location information managed in the management step based on the ID information input by said input step, communicating with an external apparatus via a network based on the address location information, and

obtaining the communication information residing at the external apparatus corresponding to the location specified by the address location information; and

a control step of judging whether or not the address information is to be obtained based on the ID information input by said input step, and controlling said obtaining step according to a result from the judgment.